P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, Parkinson's Disease is a devastating malady which ravages the body of its victims and takes away their ability to properly speak or move their limbs; and

WHEREAS, the cause and cure for Parkinson's Disease are still unknown; and

WHEREAS, almost two million Americans, including thousands of citizens of this state, suffer from Parkinson's Disease; and

WHEREAS, many persons have dedicated themselves to the treatment and rehabilitation of people afflicted with Parkinson's Disease and to research into the cause and cure of this disease; and

WHEREAS, the Nation's first Parkinson Rehabilitation and Research Institute, and the only one exclusively devoted to parkinsonism, was established in Miami, Florida in 1962; and

WHEREAS, that great humanitarian, Bob Hope, is National Honorary Chairman of the National Parkinson Foundation and urges all Americans to support its good works:

THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN THAT I, FRANK L. FARRAR, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week beginning October 25 of each year,

NATIONAL PARKINSON WEEK

in South Dakota, and furthermore do invite the medical profession, the press, and all agencies and individuals interested in a national program for the control of Parkinson's Disease to unite during that week in public dedication to this program, in a concerted effort to impress upon the people of our State the need for supporting it.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 16th day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine.

Frank L Farrar
FRANK L. FARRAR, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alma Larson
ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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